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SUBJECT: BRAZILIAN CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATION OF MINERALS AND
MINERALS POLICY; REQUEST FOR BUREAU OF MINES AND USGS PUBLIC
ACTIONS

1. ON MAY 10, THE NEWLY-CREATED COMMISSION OF
PARLIAMENTARY INQUIRY (CPI) ON MINERALS OF THE BRAZILIAN
CHAMBER OF DEPUTIES GOT UNDERWAY. THE OPPOSITION MDB
POLITICAL PARTY INITIATED THE PROPOSAL FOR THE CREATION OF
THE CPI, WHICH IS EXPECTED TO HAVE A LIFE OF SIX MONTHS.
THE MINISTER OF MINES AND ENERGY, SHIGEAKI UEKI, TESTIFIED
AS THE FIRST WITNESS ON MAY 10. THE CPI EXPECTS TO CALL
ABOUT 50 WITNESSES. CPI MEMBERS SEEM PARTICULARLY INTERESTED
IN THE QUESTIONS OF BRAZIL'S MINING CODE, THE CARAJAS IRON
ORE PROJECT, FOREIGN INVESTMENT IN THE MINERALS SECTOR,
AND FOREIGN PETROLEUM RISK CONTRACTING. FROM TIME-TO-TIME,
AS APPROPRIATE, THE EMBASSY WILL REPORT ON THE CPI'S
ACTIVITIES.

2. ACTION REQUESTED. THE EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING A
COPY OF THE LATEST EDITION OF THE BUREAU OF MINES' MINERALS
YEARBOOK FOR PRESENTATION TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE CPI.

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FOR THIS AND RELATED PURPOSES, THE EMBASSY ALSO REQUESTS
TEN COPIES OF THE 1976 USGS ANNUAL REPORT, INCLUDING THE
SUPPLEMENT ON USGS'S INTERNATIONAL ACTIVITIES.
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